

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information processing apparatus executes communication with a data storage device via a network. The information processing apparatus includes a unit  
5 that designates a section of a stream of data stored in the data storage device, the section being to be downloaded into the information processing apparatus, and a unit that acquires partial data, which includes a stream belonging to the designated section within the  
10 stream of the data, from the data storage device via the network.